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To:	<p>Hospitals Nursing Care Consultants Nursing Homes Physician/Physician Clinics CSO Administrators CSO Financial Services Supervisors Regional Administrators</p>	<p>Memorandum No. 00-05 MAA Issued: March 1, 2000</p> <p>For further information, call: Clinical Consultation Team 1-800-634-1398</p>
From:	<p>Thomas W. Bedell, Acting Assistant Secretary Medical Assistance Administration</p>	
Subject:	<p>Addition of Four New Hospital Selective Contracts</p>	

The Medical Assistance Administration (MAA) has contracted with four additional hospitals for inpatient hospital services for the Vancouver Selective Contract Area.

MAA has contracted with the following four additional hospitals for inpatient hospital services in the Vancouver hospital selective contracting (HSC) area:

- Portland Good Samaritan;
- Emanuel Portland;
- Providence - Portland; and
- Providence - St. Vincent Portland.

Previously, MAA's only contracts in the Vancouver HSC area for inpatient hospital services were with Oregon Health Sciences University and Southwest Washington Hospital. These additional contracts will improve overall access for MAA clients in the Vancouver HSC area.

All MAA program authorization requirements will remain in effect, including expedited prior authorization for some non-emergent admissions, outpatient Magnetic Resonance Imagings (MRIs), and Magnetic Resonance Angiographies (MRAs) in contracting hospitals.

Visit MAA's website at <http://maa.dshs.wa.gov> for detailed information about the HSC program. Select the menu option **Hospital Information**, then **Hospital Selective Contracting**. If you do not have access to the Internet, please call the Provider Relations Unit at 1-800-562-6188 to have a copy of the memo mailed to you.